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(U) CALIFORNIA

(U) Los Angeles – Suspicious Vehicle Cleared After Left Unattended at LAX Airport

(U) The upper departure level of Los Angeles International Airport was temporarily closed Wednesday evening while police investigated a suspicious U-Haul truck that was left unattended. Traffic into LAX was diverted to the lower arrivals area, while authorities, including LAPD's Bomb Squad, investigated the truck. Police cleared the vehicle and were able to resume normal traffic operations.

SOURCE: 22 June 2022, CBS Los Angeles

(U) North Hollywood – Man Charged with Hate Crime for Attacking Asian American Family

(U) A man who was caught on video attacking an Asian American family at a McDonald's drive-thru in North Hollywood in May has been charged with a hate crime, officials announced Wednesday. Nicholas Weber, 31, of Sylmar, faces one felony count of battery with serious bodily injury and one misdemeanor count of battery, along with a hate crime allegation, according to the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office. The charges stem from a 13 May incident in which Gabriel and Nerissa Roque family were attacked while waiting in line to order in the drive-thru.

SOURCE: 22 June 2022, KTLA

(U) SOUTHWEST BORDER

(U) Texas – Laredo CBP Officers Seize Narcotics Worth Over \$2 Million at Juarez-Lincoln Bridge

(U) Laredo – US Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officers seized narcotics worth over \$2 million at the Juarez-Lincoln Bridge in Laredo. The enforcement action occurred at the Juarez-Lincoln Bridge after CBP officers encountered a commercial bus arriving from Mexico. The bus was referred for a canine and non-intrusive inspection system examination, resulting in the discovery of 80.02-pounds of alleged methamphetamine and 18.29-pounds of alleged heroin. The narcotics combined have an estimated street value of \$2,098,539.

SOURCE: 22 June 2022, CBP

(U) NATIONAL

(U) District of Columbia – Health Systems Request Federal Help to Ward Off Increasing Cyberattacks

(U) Washington – Security researchers note that cyberattacks targeting health systems increased substantially during the pandemic and could reach new peaks in 2022. Hacks and information breaches totaling 256 were recorded during the first six months of 2022, compared to 149 for the same period last year. A spokesperson for an Oregon-based health system praised the steps the Federal government has taken to bolster digital security but calls for more direct assistance to health networks to ward off rising threats. The costs of preventing and recovering from cyberattacks are growing, putting pressure on health providers to raise service prices. Compounding their dilemma are the increased premium expenses and coverage limitations imposed by cyber insurers.

SOURCE: 22 June 2022, Politico

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(U) Maryland - California Man Charged with Attempting to Kill US Supreme Court Justice

(U) Greenbelt – Nicholas John Roske, the man charged with attempting to murder Supreme Court Justice Brett Kavanaugh, pleaded not guilty on Wednesday in a Maryland federal court. Roske, 26, had flown from California to the Washington, area with a pistol, ammo clips and burglary tools, intent on killing Kavanaugh, according to an FBI affidavit, telling law enforcement he was upset over the leaked draft Supreme Court opinion on abortion rights, along with an upcoming gun control case and the school shooting last month in Uvalde, Texas.

SOURCE: 23 June 2022, CNN

(U) Nevada - Three Charged with Attempted Murder After Six Shot in Rival Biker Gang Shootout

(U) Las Vegas – The leader of the Las Vegas chapter of the Hells Angels and two other bikers are facing charges, including attempted murder, in the Memorial Day weekend shooting on US 95 that shut down the major freeway and left six people shot. Police said the shooting was between the Hells Angels and rival gang, Vagos. Prosecutors alleged the shooting may have been in retaliation for a previous murder in California involving the two groups.

SOURCE: 22 June 2022, KLAS

(U) INTERNATIONAL

(U) Germany – German Riot Police Buses Set on Fire Ahead of G7 Summit

(U) Munich – Eight German riot police buses have been set on fire in Munich just four days ahead of the G7 summit that is set to take place at Bavaria's Schloss Elmau resort. The vehicles had been parked outside a hotel where officers were staying before being deployed to the summit venue. "We think that this is an arson offence related to the G7 meeting, as the forces were on site here in Munich especially for this operation," said police spokesman Andreas Franken. No one was injured in the incident. SOURCE: 2 June 2022, <u>DPA</u>

(U) Ukraine – Two New Phishing Attacks Identified by Ukraine's Digital Response Team

(U) Kyiv – Two new hacking campaigns were revealed by Ukraine's computer response team this week. One purported to be a collection document from the national tax service while the other attempted to lure recipients with a discussion of the nuclear threat from Russia. E-mails posing as communications from Ukraine's tax authority carried an MS Word document discussing potential penalties, which if opened could load a "Cobalt Strike Beacon," allowing the attacker a connection to a target system. The second attack used malicious code embedded in a text file that could trigger CredoMap malware. Ukrainian cybersecurity officials said it was possible this attack could be linked to APT28, or Fancy Bear, a Russian military intelligence hacking group.

SOURCE: 21 June 2022, CyberScoop

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